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: PIEZOELECTRIC ELEMENT AND METHOD OF

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Assignee

: Murata Manufacturing Co., Ltd.

The present application is a divisional under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) of prior application Serial No. 09/773,951, filed February 1, 2001 by Akira ANDO, Koichi HAYASHI and Masahiko KIMURA, entitled PIEZOELECTRIC ELEMENT AND METHOD OF PRODUCING THE SAME.

Enclosed herewith please find the following documents in the above-identified application for United States Letters Patent:

- X Print EFS Data Sheet
- 16 Pages of Specification including Abstract and Claims
- 11 Numbered Claims Calculated as 20 Claims for Fee Purposes
- 9 Sheet of Formal Drawings Containing Figure 1-15.
- X Copy of Declaration and Power of Attorney from the prior application under 37 CFR 1.63(d). The entire disclosure of the prior application is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated herein by reference.

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